

AUGUST 1, 2005
REGULAR MEETING
7:30 P.M.

Regular meeting of the Village Board held at the Village Hall and called to order by President Peterson with the following members present: Schmitt, Austin (arrive 7:37 p.m.), Trout, Molburg, Ryner (arrive 7:35 p.m.), Kness, Peterson, and Johnson.
Absent: none.

Motion by Kness, second by Schmitt to approve the July 11, 2005 Public Hearing on the Budget minutes, Regular Meeting minutes, and Closed Session minutes. Roll call votes: Schmitt – aye, Trout – aye, Molburg – aye, and Kness – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Motion by Kness, second by Schmitt to pass Ordinance Number 5, Series 2005 granting Special Use to William and Kari Cashen for Skribbles Day Care and Community Center. Roll call votes: Trout – aye, Molburg – aye, Kness – aye, and Schmitt – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

President Peterson reported that the Mercer County Health Department looked at the surface water problems and contacted the IEPA, who sent a letter to the Village concerning the matter. President Peterson had the Village reply to the letter, but no information has come back yet from the IEPA.

Motion by Kness, second by Schmitt to pass Ordinance Number 4, Series 2005, Tax Levy for the Fiscal Year May 1, 2005 through April 30, 2006. Roll call votes: Molburg – aye, Kness – aye, Schmitt – aye, Trout – aye, Austin – aye, and Ryner – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

The Board requested the plan on the Depot Park Memorial.

President Peterson reported that the tree program was in progress with some of the work done, the ball games were finished for the season, the Ball Park lights will be on during the nights of the Rodeo as requested by the Rodeo Board, and the grass will be sprayed at the Ball Park if the grass comes back from the dry season in September.

President Peterson reported on the MFT 2005 program. He stated that there were problems with the start date, waiting on Mercer County, the 48 hour notice when the Village would oil and chip, Johnson Trucking and Blacktopping having conflicts on schedule, engineering communication problems, and extra rock was needed.

President Peterson stated that Tom Whiting had not started on any of the ditch work.

Police Chief Murphy presented the July 2005 police report. He reported 12, 727 miles on the squad, traffic stops, arrest warrant, reports, arrests, drive off and follow up, go carts on streets, Wheel Tax notices served, water notices served, various complaints, various activities, suckers were ordered, two new replacement bulbs for the flashlight were purchased, the squad's oil was changed, and that he is getting by with the officers that he has. Chief Murphy stated that Officer Meier's vest is ten years old, but the new vest could be used for Meier and Carr. The Board asked Chief Murphy to check on the department's vests. The Police Department will have a schedule for the Rodeo.

The Board tabled action on administrative warning tickets until the next meeting.

The Police Committee agreed to meet with Chief Murphy on police policy and the chief's retirement plan August 23, 2005 at the Village Hall beginning at 7 P.M. The Board requested that Chief Murphy and Todd Greenman, insurance agent, get together on the police retirement paperwork. The Police Committee will review the IMRF information.

The Board noted that the next Board Meeting would be September 12, 2005 due to the Labor Day holiday.

Motion by Ryner, second by Kness to authorize the July 2005 bills. Roll call votes: Molburg – aye, Trout – aye, Austin – aye, Schmitt – aye, Ryner – aye, and Kness – aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Motion by Kness, second by Schmitt to adjourn. Voice Votes: all votes were in favor, and the motion was carried. Meeting adjourned.

Claudine D. Johnson, Clerk